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LARGEST MORNING CIRCULATION IN KANSAS CITY

Washington, May 8-For Oklahema and Indian Territory-Fair; cooler; southerly

For Missouri-Pair; warmer in castern; cooler in western partien, southerly winds, becoming westerly. For Kansas-Fair, with conditions favor-

able for local storms; cooler; southerly winds, becoming northerly.

GOOD MORNING.

Corn is growing in Kansas now almost as fast as Populist scandals last winter,

It may be assumed that the president Is likewise not responsible for Secretary Morton's latest outburst.

An Ohio editor advertises for 500 hens on subscription. Going to lay for a loathed contemporary, probably Since her marriage Nellie Bly is keep-

ing very still. All that Nelly asks is to be let alone with her Joy and her honey The worst thing that can be said for

free silver coinage is that Dan Voorhees and John P. St. John are advocat-Atchison people are clated over a cut-

rate war among icemen. A war of this sort cuts considerable ice with con-

It costs \$4.43 per head to save Chicago

sinners. This seems high, but Chicago sinners are hard cases, and it is probably worth it. It is intimated that as soon as Mrs

Lease can find a suitable man to play Trilby to her Svengall she will write another book. Senator Stewart recognizes that the

president is a busy man, and consequently is willing to carry on the correspondence all by himself. Speaking of bargain counter rushes, there must have been one at that Chi-

cago store which sold silver dollars at 90 cents all day Tuesday. They have had the wettest April in

twenty-five years in North Carolina. Kansas will now understand where its last month's moisture went

If the scales were right at the time, this earth of ours weighs 5,812,064,000,-000,000,000,000 tons, owned mostly by the Standard Oil and other frusts

that the unlimited use of silver can pro- of an agreement on a new election law duct only demoralization and chaos. We for the two principal cities of the state fear the president of the Mexican Cencrances of the president of the United tates carefully and prayerfully.

THE GOLD TRUST.

ional, showing that the gold syndicate the mines will make them ready for the new loan that the treasury shortage makes Inevitable.

the Journal has held to the theory of without longer delay, a conspiracy to force a loun of at least \$200,000,000. This is not from the fact that we were any wiser or had informaspic of the situation. There are no ying lifle. Railroads are loaded down greed that such loan should be the

rgans of the president demanded at can was made over the heads of congress by a forced construction of an old and \$150,000,000 piready boywed. Yet even this seems insufficient that amounts in official action to a conspiracy to get these fours from the ers must now realize the mistake they

stain it is in the unprecedented fact in he history of civilization of a contract with private parties to give them con-vol for a term of months of the national treasury and an option on any loans That contract runs to next October- market for the products he turns out. five months yet-and with a deficit of \$50,000,000 now before the treasury, not only that but possibly a hundred million added will be needed. The syndicate The high-minded Tennessee legisla- demand, but to keep others out, is buy- charter amendment to be voted upon

ontractors. premium and loan it to the govern-ment at 3% per cent interest? The beginning of the end, it is a cause for last loan cost them 10412, and they have sincere congratulation on the part of profit. Gold at 18 cents an ounce prem- water works question there are a numium is nothing like a margin of 17 cents | ber of important questions which will on the dollar on the bonds.

And what for? To force the country outstanding treasury notes into gold such a humiliation to a great nation.

Ex-United States Senator John Martin is walking the golden sands of the Pacific slope and has unburdened him-soff to an Associated Press representa-the end seems to be in sight at last. before the people in the approaching glad of it.
campaign. The ex-senator, realizing the Governor Sta overwhelming sentiment in the West and South for free silver, gives it as his opinion that silver will be the sole issue before the people. The distinguished times which could arrive at any other Kansas has a state musical jubiles in leading issue in the next campaign. It progress at Hulchinson. But the sweet is the issue which is the thorn in the est music to the majority of Kansas side of the Eastern candidates, and state legislature refused to participate.

for the two principal cities of the state ral has not been reading the recent ut. racy has too good a thing in the infam our statute new in force to surrender

It without a desperate struggle, Republicans demand a law that will remove the opportunities for fraud that The dispatches from Washington in are provided by the present statute; but centerday's Journal were rather sensas the Democrats propose to amend every thing else but these very provisions. is at work quietly to do what the de- Every day that the deadlock continue monetization of sliver gave them the will be a damage to the party in power power to do-corner gold. The buying The house is in a position to make tell up at a premium of the fine gold from ling campaign capital from the very moment that an honest settlement of the election measure shall be refused by the other side, and the course of wisdom is In this whole gold matter-or the loan for the senate to how to the inevitable

THEY HAVE MADE A MISTARE.

Strikes are always an unfortunate method of securing the ends destred by workmen, and the strikers in the Kanoupon bonds anywhere available for sas smelters will probably realize this vestment by the great lean brokers in fact before the trouble is settled. This his country, and their surplus from is a very bad time to strike, and if the emi-annual interest payments has been men had consulted their own interests more wisely they would have hesitated that most of them are in the hands | before taking action which has thrown f receivers. The conspiracy was that hundreds out of employment and de or success the men behind Cleveland prived their families of support. The sympathies of the people generally are As soon as the extra session was efforts to secure an increase of wages alled to repeal the Sherman act, the but the owners of the sinc mines have had their share, perhaps more, of the not the authorization of a \$200,000,000 hard times. The workman cannot exold loan, and on congress refusing the peet the employer to operate his plant

at a loss for any great length of time. The workman who bases his action or a consideration of his own interests, in to wake up some people to the fact not only selfish but unwise. There are that there is and was an understanding mutual interests which must be adjusted to prevailing conditions. The striktreasury for a favored few in the world have made in bringing about conditions far more irksome than those which pre-If anything was needed to make this vailed when they struck. If the mine owners were rolling in prosperity, there would be more justice in the demand for an increase of wages, but the owner i not becoming rich vory fast, and, hard as it may seem, the workman must bear be made subsequent to the contract. his share of the misfortunes of a dull

IS THE END NEAR?

The final acceptance of the city's water bonds by the syndicate which had seems to be getting ready, and to make an option on them, the acceptance be-sure of being able not only to meet the ing conditional upon the adoption of the ture, having stolen a governorship, is now engaged in a partisan gerrymander of the state.

In the gold of the mines in advance. And the cry is, when too late, that the treasury is at the mercy of the protracted and expensive litization in which the city and water works com But how can they buy up gold at a pany have been engaged. If this action been selling the bonds at 121%-17 cents | the people of this city, for with the

be settled at the same time. The water works company has a marto a gold basis and fund the \$500,000,000 | velous fertility of resources, and if there is any possible chance of further delaysonds. Such a spectacle as this pre- ing the settlement of the matter and resents of the treasury openly looted by taining the possession of the plant, the ontract is enough to make the very company may be relied upon to invoke ones cry out against the infamy of the law to secure such dolay. Few of the people of this city have ever befleved the company to have acted in good faith with the city or to have been desirous of complying with the orders of the various courts which have taken a hand in the water works matter. But tive regarding the issues which will be and the people of the city are heartily

> Governor Stone is right. Let the legislature get through with the important work in hand before it is supplied with more. The main purpose for which I was called together was to onact a be not be diverted to other matters until this purpose is accomplished.

ulated every industry in Mexico, and the first the senate there is a continued movement of prosperity in that country." It doubtless looks like active industry and prosperity but President Raoul ought to know.

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FEMALE MASONIC LODGE.

It Is Organized by Hesperia Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Amid Much Hi-larity-The Candidates.

When that somewhat erratic apostle of complem, Mrs. Mollie E. Lense, of Kansas, descript that she knew the secrets of descript so thoroughly and well that "the blest living Mason" could not have enler, she started a sentiment that soon beyond even her wildest fancy, and nited to the organization of a female

sited in the organisation of a female sould lodge, and what is more strange in her beautifus featon is the fact that was in Kansas City that the first feel lodge was instituted, set night was the regular meeting night he lodge at its half at loss Grand aveand several candidates were present initiation. Miss Susan B. Anthony the first to present herself to the wait-circle around the alter. The officers he ledge were attret in zowie and several seatured for most extunorificary character, not exceed a first the severe apparel usually up by officers of the maculine Masonia; but creations of the femining of the formula first the severe apparel usually up to the created for the the second of the femining of the femining of the present day, with linde regard for flictum of the past decreeing that the ments should be of the style worn in a Sosman's time.

ouncement, and, after repeated each other they were not at all the ach other thei were not at all not discussing various expedients the intruder, the penalties range feath to settling the whole lodge cream sods, it was decided to and leave the naughty man in a wherepon the closing ode, with ing appropriate chorus, was sing, dge broke up in confusion;

Dual the men, they're always 'round, And it is most provoking; We cannot have a Masons' lodge, Fut in it they are poking." lodge.

The buriesque was given under the nu-plers and by the members of Hesperia, hapter, Order of Eastern Star, No. 172, halor the management of F. W. Hard-metle. The parts were all cleverly taken in furnished infinite amusement to the tire audience assembled. The partici-ants were

Nertie Philbrook, most illustrious mogul; Miss Delin Wingfield, grand hil hauler; Mrs. Anna Haney, sister anniandrum; Mrs. Ir. Burke, sister mok-a-muck; Mrs. H. E. Pierce, sis-thie-de-hoy; Mrs. C. Brooks, sister raper; Mrs. Anna boty, sister A. P. M. Mrs. A. J. Mildleton, grand in-ard of the temple key hole, and in-lard of the temple key hole. of the temple key hole, da Cooper took the part of "Misz Among the smilldates not in-te "Mrs. Josiah Allen, "Franhaired were "Mrs. Josiah Allen, "Fran-ces H. Willard," "Rev. Anna H. Shaw," and "Annie L. Diggs." At the conclusion of the butlesque re-treshments were served after which danc-ing was the order of the evening for several hours. Allen, "Fran-

MUST PAY HYDRANT RENTAL. Water Works Company Will Receive Two

Big Checks From the City. Under the recent order made by Justice frewer, of the United States supreme his city must pay the hydrant rent-

THE UNIT OF VALUE.

GOLD AND SHAER WERE THE STAND-ARDS FOR EIGHTY YEARS.

In Deciding a Wager Judge Vincent Declares That Both Metals Were the Units From 1792 to 1875.

Chicago, Ith. May S.—The Hon, William A. Vincent has decided the bet made by two well known Democrats of this city, ex Mayor Hopkins and William S. Forget, as to the unit of value from 152 to 155. This het has attracted considerable attention here and throughout the bountry. and it has been asserted in editorials that Mr. Vincent's reputation was such as not to warrant confidence in his opinion. He was at one firm chief justice of the suprome court of New Mexico and was re-moved by President Cleveland, owing to his appointment of Stephen Dorsey as Jury commissioner.
The following is Judge Vincent's decision of the bet:

During a recent discussion at the Iro-quois Club, between Hon. Washington Hos-ing, Hon. John P. Hopkins, Sigmund Zeisler, Esq., and W. S. Forrest, Esq., the truthfainess of certain statements in regard to the unit of value in the United States from 1752 to 1875 was questioned. This argument resulted in a controversy, which, by agreement of the parties, was referred

onal agreement, at the ratio of 16 to 1 which was well known to the parties at the time, I had absolutely no opinion as to the precise technical question involved in the controversy above stated. In my consideration of this subject I have had the benefit of the views of advo-

mics of each side, and it seems to that the matter was been haustively presented.

In April, 1790, congress referred certain matters relating to the establishment of a mint to Alexander Hamilton, then secretary in the secretary of the secretary in the secretary that the matter has been carefully and ex-

municated the result of his inquiries and re-flections to the house of representatives. This report is an exhaustive treatise on the

This report is an exhaustive treatise on the subject of currency, on which Hamilton was almost universally conceded to be the best informed and most profound student of the nation.

Hamilton evidently asked Thomas Jefferson to examine the report and express his judgment upon it, because in February 1782, or two months before the pussage of the act under discussion. Jefferson wrote to Hamilton: 'I return you the report on the mint, which I have read over with a great deal of satisfaction. I concur with you in thinking that the unit must stand on both metals, that the alloy should be the same in both, also in the proportion you establish between the values of the two motals.

ilsh between the values of the two morals."

Under the question, "What ought to be the nature of the money unit of the United States?" Hamilton says among other things: "As long as gold, either from its intrinsic superiority as a metal from its greater rarity, or from the prejudices of mankind, retains so considerable a presminence in value over silver as it has hitherto had, a matural consequence of this seems to be that its condition will remain more stationary. The revolutions therefore which may take place in the comparative value of gold and silver, will be changes in the state of the latter, rather than in that of the former. * * * But, upon the whole, it seems to be most advisable, as has been observed, not to attach the unit exclusively to either of the metals; because this varinot be ione effectually without destroving the office and character of one of them as money, and reducing it to the situation of mere merchandise which, accordingly, at different times has been proposed from different and very respectable quarters, but which would probably be a greater evil than occasional variations in the unit from the fluctuations in the relative values of the metals, expectably if ears be taken to reg-

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to consist of either one of two different things. One-tenth part of 247% grains of gold, or 2714 grains of silver, just as equal values might be embodied in given weights of any two given commodities, such as wheat or corn. A unit of vatue is the unit in which values are expressed; the value of both gold and silver are expressed in the act of 1762, so we had two units of value. If both had not been so expressed we could not have had be metallism.

The unit is simply the starting point in the reckoning of money. In England the unit is the pound sterling, in Germany the mark, in France the franc. while section 29 of the sait of 1792 provides "that the money of account of the United States shall be expressed in dollars and units."

The language of the proposition submitted for decision is not as clear and eatisfactory as might be desired, but I am of the opinion that unier the act of 1792 the unit was to be measured in both gold and silver, 2174, grains being the quantity of silver and 247; grains being the cannot be expressed in the written statement thereof, I decide in favor of the affirmative of the proposition.

WILLIAM A. VINCENT.

Chicago, May 8 .- A format call has

been issued for a meeting of the trans-

TRANSCONTINENTAL LINES. They Have Called a Meeting for Next Friday to Discuss Important Matters.

continental lines, to be held in this city by agreement of the parties, the to me for decision. At my request the specifically that the meeting is to conquestion to be determined was reduced to sider the reorganization of the transon next Friday. The call does not state writing, and is as follows:
"Sigmund Zeisler states that under the contiental association, but that is what "Signified Zeisfer states that under the statute of 1832 both sold and silver were made units of value in the United States; John P. Hopkins deales the proposition."
While I had a settled conviction as to the inexpediency of the free coinage of sliver by the United States, without international agreement at the ratio of 16 to 1 lines that the only way in which revealed. lines that the only way in which revenue be conserved is through a strong agreement that will induce the united action on all common interests. The plan at present is to form an association which will cover the through Pacific coast business only. It is not likely that the meeting on Friday will do more than the meeting on Friday will do more than to decide whether or not the formation of a transcontinental passenger association is expedient at the present time. The actual work of forming an association will probably go over to a meeting to be called next week.

The earnings of the Atchison system, all lines, were for the week \$1.015,735, an increase of \$12,382; for the month, \$3,291,486, an increase of \$33,895. All the earnings given are approximated to gross

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freight for the Eastern seaboard to the Pacific coast at a less rate than was charged from Colorado points to the Pacific coast. Paul Morton, vice president of the Pueble company, gave his testimony in rebuttal in the morning, and in the afternoon Judge Martin, of San Francisco, made an argument for the roads. He admitted the lower through rate and defended it on the competition with ocean steamships, competition with ocean steamships. competition with ocean steamships, claiming the rules of the commission permitted roads to meet water rates provided the freight was not hauled at a loss. The commission took the case under advisement

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Had I a pen imbued with fire From Love's immortal flame I note could hope to paint the charms That cluster round thy frame. The wavy hair that clusters o'er.
Thy brow, so cure and white.
Would put to sharm the rabled tints.
That shade the waux of night.

Thine eyes are pure as limpid brooks. Where greenest mosses grow, And gazing in their depths I see A soul as white as snow.

Thy checks! But, ah, no martal knows How much he'd know of bliss. If on them he could ever leave The impress of a kiss.

Thy lips are sweet as any rose. That blooms in any June;
Thy smile is sunlight, and thy laugh,
That sunlight set to tune.

If earth were filled with womanking. Whose charms could match thine o e charms could match thine own, not a suint in paradise would desert the throne. —Jere Johnson Barker.



SMART AND SAUCY.

caralings.

The passenger department of the Burlington road has decided to run a series of personally conducted summer vacation tours to the seemic regions of the Rocky and Rig Horn mountains lying east of the Pacific division. These excursions have been run frequently in the East, but this is the first time that they have been taken up by Western roads.

Testimony in Rebuttal.

Chicago, May 8.—Commissioners Morrison, Veazey, Clements and Veomans, of the interstate commerce commission, to-day heard the testimony in rebuttal against the transcontinental lines for discrimination in freight charges. The complaint was made by the Pueble Iron Company, of Colorado, which charges the roads with hauling iron and other freight for the Eastern seaboard to the Pacific coast. Paul Morton, vice president of the Pueble company, gave his defined to the preside coast. Paul Morton, vice president of the Pueble company, gave his defined to the passence of the manufacture of the Pueble company, gave his defined to the passence of the passenc

ning the rules of the commission sitted roads to meet water rates ided the freight was not hauled at a The commission took the case radvisement.

For River Valley Road.

Ison, Wis., May 8.—a new railroad to Fox River valley, Wis. is assured to regardization of the Valley may.

s ratificad is assured. If we tempted the fates high and low:
Wealth, fittles and statesmanship is high the second will run.
Wealth, fittles and statesmanship is high pleading before me as though poor I were some mythical fay.
Yes, poets and princes, the gay

ENVOI:

Ah, Cupid! I beg thee, don't stay,
For some lucky chap may be led
To pierce this stone heart with a ray
Of love, and then-I MUST wed,
New York World.